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TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains

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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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This is UNEVALUATED Information

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CB - Converted Boxcar; B - Boxcar; F - Flatcar

1. On 7 March 1954, a shipment of 2 RRVm-type flatcars with tanks was dispatched from Prenzlau to Eberswalde.

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2. On 11 March, nine troop trains arrived at Prenzlau. five of these trains including a train from Altruppin with 25 x 120-mm mortars, and trucks, a train from Neuruppin with four artillery pieces, and trucks, a train from Wittenberge with armored personnel carriers mounting twin-barreled AA guns, and trucks, a train, probably from Wittenberge, with 12 artillery pieces, and trucks, and a train, probably from Wittenberge, with 10 to 12 tanks, and trucks.

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3. Troop trains passing through the Rathenow railroad station between 11 and 15 March included:

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Date in March	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
11	9 B, 29 F with 29 trucks and radio trucks,	Magdeburg-Brueckfeld	Rheinsberg
15	14 B, 33 F with 16x 85-mm AT guns and 24 trucks	Brandenburg	undetermined
	6 B, 22 F with 4 tanks and 17 trucks	Burg	Altruppin
	32 B, 98 F	Magdeburg-Brueckfeld	Fuerstenberg/Havel
	14 B, 32 F	Altengradow	Gransee
17	14 B, 55 F	Altengradow	Gransee

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17	8 B, 43 F with 34 trucks, [redacted]	Magdeburg- Sudenburg	undetermined	25X1
15	12 B, 24 F with 7 T-34 tanks and 15 trucks	Satzkorn	Haldensleben	
	9 B, 21 F with 16 tanks and 13 trucks	Satzkorn	Haldensleben	25X1

4. The following troop trains were listed in railroad records between 11 and 15 March: 25X1

<u>Date in March</u>	<u>Composition of Troop Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	25X1
11	14 CB, 27 F	Jueterbog- Altes Lager	Bernau	
	10 CB, 34 F	Jueterbog- Altes Lager	Bernau	
12	14 B, 20 F	Haldensleben	Eberswalde	
	13 B, 35 F	Luckenwalde	Neustrelitz	
	15 B, 34 F	Luckenwalde	Neustrelitz	
15	6 B, 18 F	Fuerstenberg	Luckenwalde	
	12 B, 45 F	Neuruppin	Luckenwalde	
	10 B, 33 F	Neuruppin	Luckenwalde	
	10 B, 33 F	Brandenburg	Rheinsberg	

5. Troop trains [redacted] on 15, 16 and 17 March included: 25X1

<u>Date in March</u>	<u>Composition of Troop Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	25X1
15	5 CB, 2 B, 45 F	Schwerin	Herzberg	
	6 CB, 1 B, 38 F	Schwerin	Herzberg	
	10 CB, 2 B, 49 F	Schwerin	Herzberg	
	10 CB, 4 B, 46 F	Schwerin	Herzberg	
16	9 CB, 2 B, 48 F	Wismar	Herzberg	
	10 CB, 2 B, 43 F	Wismar	Herzberg	
	10 CB, 2 B, 47 F	Hagenow	Herzberg	25X1
	10 CB, 2 B, 47 F	Hagenow	Herzberg	
	4 CB, 1 B, 36 F	Schwerin	Herzberg	
	12 CB, 1 B, 48 F	Schwerin	Neustrelitz	
	10 CB, 2 B, 49 F	Schwerin	Neustrelitz	
	9 CB, 1 B, 50 F	Schwerin	Neustrelitz	
17	3 CB, 1 B, 39 F	Schwerin	Herzberg	
	6 CB, 1 B, 20 F	Schwerin	Herzberg	

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1. Comment. [redacted] two tanks of the 83th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the 25th Tank Div were loaded. The vehicles probably went to the tank repair shop at Eberswalde. 25X1
2. Comment. [redacted] on 11 March 1954, the same contingents of the 25 Tank Div returned which, on 5 and 6 March, moved from railroad stations reported in paragraph 2 to Mirow and, subsequently, to the Mueritz See (lake) - Neuruppin area for field exercises. 25X1
[redacted] 25X1
3. Comment. The troop trains carried units to a field exercise which apparently started in the Neuruppin - Neustrelitz - Wittstock area on 15 March 1954. These units included: 25X1
From Magdeburg-Bruckfeld and Magdeburg-Sudenburg.
On 11 March 1954, army signal units of the Third Shock Army on the troop train [redacted] Probably additional army troops, including contingents of the 3rd Gds AAA Div [redacted] 25X1
From Brandenburg.
A medium AT gun unit of the 20th Army AT Arty Brig [redacted] which, [redacted] was loaded at Brandenburg. 25X1
From Burg.
[redacted] probably elements of the 136th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt. 25X1
From Altenraben.
Probably elements of the 44th Army Arty Brig of the Third Shock Army; or 10th How Arty Brig [redacted] of the 6th Arty Div. 25X1
From Schwerin, Hagenow and Wismar.
Predominantly contingents of the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, but also corps troops of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps.
[redacted] except for some army units, troops of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps were conducting a field exercise. 25X1
4. Comment. [redacted] tank contingents of the 10th Gds Tank Div were entrained and probably moved to Letzling Heath for combat firing practice. 25X1
5. [redacted] 25X1
6. Comment. On 16 March 1954, one of the two troop trains with howitzers and rocket launchers of the 12th Gds Tank Div from Neustrelitz to Luckenwalde was observed passing through Satzorn. [redacted] 25X1

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